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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

DETAILED ACTION

The reply filed on 8-22-2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Claim 10 is listed as "Previously presented" in listing of claims but referred to as being canceled in the "Remarks" section of the amendment.

Consequently, it is impossible to determine the status of claim 10. Clarification of the status of claim 10 is required. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Robert A. Zeman whose telephone number is (703) 308-7991. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday- Thursday, 7am -5:30 p.m..

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